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Application No.: 09/314,927) : Group Art Unit: 2781
Filed: May 20, 1999) :
For: DATA COMMUNICATION) :
SYSTEM, APPARATUS AND) :
METHOD THEREFOR, AND) :
COMPUTER READABLE) : October 23, 2000
STORING MEDIUM THEREFOR)

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Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

It is hereby certified that each item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a search report from the European Patent Office not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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